

We claim:

1. An apparatus for commissioning and/or diagnosing a control system, comprising a display device for displaying the control system's functionality via an object model, and an engineering system for commissioning, project engineering, configuration of controls and drives and/or for compiling a control program on the basis of the functionality of the control system displayed via the object model.
2. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein data for the control system is administered on the basis of the object model.
3. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein access to diagnostic information and commissioning tools to be implemented by the engineering system on the basis of instances of control objects is staged.
4. The apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the instances of control objects, are visualized in the engineering system via a project browser.
5. The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein during navigation in the project browser, context-sensitive information and relevant tools to be executed are visualized.

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